

AMERICA SEEN FIRST NOW, LANE REPORTS

\$100,000,000 Spent by Tourists in U. S. in Past Year, Secretary Says

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—More than a hundred million dollars, usually spent by American tourists in Europe, was divided in the last year among railroads, hotels and allied enterprises in the United States, according to a section of the annual report of Secretary of the Interior Franklin K. Lane, which was made public today.

The great national playgrounds—the Yellowstone National Park, the Yosemite Valley, and the many other national parks—were responsible for the expenditure of a liberal percentage of this vast sum on travel, says the report.

To increase the accessibility of the beauty spots in the United States, particularly the West, and to attract each year more and more American citizens who in former years have spent their vacations abroad to the natural playgrounds of this country is the plan of Secretary Lane. He says that these national resources are of as much value to the people as the industrial resources of the country, and he would make the streets of cities and the beauties of the world over.

The secretary reports that additional hotels are being erected in the great national parks of the West, that better roads are being constructed over a wide and increasing mileage and that trails are being opened each year by means of which any American citizen may visit with comfort and ease the Rocky Mountain fastnesses known heretofore only to the intrepid of the Sierras as John Muir and John Burroughs.

The section of the report published today also deals with mining laws and the development of Alaska.

Secretary Lane says that if the present would appoint a committee of three experts familiar with the mining laws and the difficulties of miners and commission them to suggest a new mining code to Congress it would save more than two weeks, and save Wood, two months after he became a Commissioner, and for a \$500 "commission."

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The attraction of the great cold region is so strong, says the Secretary, and from those who go to the northern frontier will bring a strong citizenship, he predicts.

"The land has a mysterious charm, a pull which affects all who see it and those, too, who only know indirectly of its largeness, its grandeur and its economic possibilities," says Secretary Lane.

Machinists Urge Big Arsenal Fund
A resolution favoring a \$4,000,000 appropriation for Frankford Arsenal was adopted last night by the Federal Lodge 67, International Union of Machinists, at a meeting held in Salus Hall, 8th street and Girard avenue. A committee consisting of James McCort and A. G. Woodward was appointed to work with committees of other organizations that are active in the movement to obtain a large appropriation for the Arsenal.

Presbyterian Elders Elect
D. T. Richman was elected president of the Elders' Association of the Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia at the annual meeting and dinner, held last night at Harbison's, 525 Market street. Nearly 200 members attended. The other officers were as follows: Vice president, J. Willson Smith; secretary, Alfred Percival Smith; treasurer, Harry A. Palmer. Executive Committee chairman, William L. Yerkes.

DETECTIVES SURPRISE EIGHT MEN AT CARD TABLE

Prisoners Receive Rude Shock When Confronted With Arrest

Sounds of a quarrel and the jingling of money came from a room in the rear of Vardi's barber shop at 727 Christian street. Four downtown detectives were passing at the time. LeGrand, Fields, Isola and Downey.

Led by LeGrand, they brushed by the surprised patrons of the shop and discovered several men playing cards in the back room. A pile of money was on the table, and, according to the detectives, the players drew automatic revolvers when they appeared. Instead of showing fight they tried to hide the weapons under a table.

Four men who were watching the game attempted to escape through a back door, but could not make their way out.

Carlo Ceromotti, who said he was proprietor of the place, and seven other men were taken to the 3d and Christian streets police station. Four of the prisoners, according to the police, were gamblers from New York.

An attorney who represented the men at a hearing before Magistrate Imber declared that the detectives had no right to enter the shop without a warrant. The detectives contended their action was warranted on account of the quarrel over the game.

Each of the prisoners was held under \$500 bail for a further hearing.

N. Y. SERVICE COMMISSIONER FACES CHARGE OF BRIBERY

Robert C. Wood's Case to Go Before Grand Jury

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Public Service Commissioner Robert Colgate Wood will face a Grand Jury investigation today. Before another 24 hours charges probably will be laid before Governor Whitman, accompanied by a demand that Wood be dismissed from office for having solicited a bribe of \$500.

Sidney G. Johnson, general sales agent for the General Railway and Ferry Company, was yesterday before the Thompson committee yesterday, after having denied subpoenaed several more than two weeks, and swore Wood, two months after he became a Commissioner, and for a \$500 "commission."

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WHAT THE HOSKINSMAN SAYS

Here's a Real CHRISTMAS GIFT

A Waterman Ideal Fountain Pen, new self-roller, \$2.50
Or a Hoskins Special, \$1.00
Get our annual Christmas Gift Catalog at the store or write for it.

Hoskins
304-906 CHESTNUT ST.
Headquarters for Waterman Ideals

The Amusement Magazine GIVEN WITH Saturday's Evening Ledger

will contain the following articles of pertinent interest to movie fans and theatre-goers:

A Mann of Many Parts. Some of the varied roles that Louis Mann has played since he acted with Booth.

Walter Prichard Eaton's Second New York Letter. Describing Leo Ditrichstein's "The Great Lover," a comedy of operatic amours.

Ince, Movie Magician. Intimate and interesting details of the well-known motion picture director. By Robert Grau.

Filming Statistics. Roger Babson, economist and statistician, joins the Paramount forces.

The Loveliest of Dancers. Three unusually charming photographs of Mrs. Vernon Castle by Ira Hills.

What's Wrong With the Movies? An editorial by Kenneth Macgowan on the question of why we don't get better plots on the screen.

Our Bargain Speedway

On the First Floor South Aisle Is One of the Busiest Places in Town

This favorable condition is due to the fact that this is the actual speed route for Christmas shoppers who appreciate

Speed in Service and Speed in Selecting

The Speedway boxes your purchases and prepares them for sending right off to the person to whom you wish to present them.

Children's \$5.00 Angora Sweater Sets at \$3.50
Sweater, leggings, toque and mitts complete.

Gloves
Boys' and Girls' Lined Cape Gloves and Gauntlets at 50c
Men's Lined Velour Gauntlets at \$1.00

Novelty Jewelry
Powder Boxes at 25c and 50c
Gold-plated and German silver; complete with ring and chain.

50c Pearl Bead Necklaces at 25c
Wax-filled beads with gold-filled clasp.
California Flower Beads at 25c
All the wanted colors; permanent odors.

Children's Books at 10c to 49c
Women's Waists at \$2.00
Crepe de chine; white, flesh and maize; embroidered and shadow lace waists trimmed with fur.

Silver-Plated Ware
Horse Radish Bottle at 39c
Pierced design; bright finish; white glass bottle.

Marmalade Jar at 50c
Etched crystal jar with silver-plated top and spoon.

Silk Petticoats at \$2.00
Messaline, taffeta and jersey top; pleated flounce.

Imported Decorated China, Marble Busts and Novelties at 50c each

Any Woman Will Be Delighted to Open a Box Christmas Morning and Find One of the Taffeta or Messaline Petticoats, \$2.00 & \$2.25

Tucked or pleated flounce; plain colors and changeable effects.

Taffeta Petticoats, \$2.95
Ruffled flounce; elastic waist band, plain colors and changeable effects.

Extra-Size Black Satine Petticoats, \$1
Pleated flounce; elastic waist band.

Satine Petticoats at \$1.00
Black and colors; deep pleated flounces.
Second Floor

Women's \$3.00 Dressing Sacque, \$1.95

Of all-talross in rich shade of rose, pink, blue and lavender. Embroidered scallops finish the entire sacque, including collar and cuffs.

Women's \$3.00 Bathrobes at \$1.95
Collar and cuffs trimmed with satin.

Women's \$4 to \$6 Bathrobes at \$2.85
Elaborately trimmed with satin.
Second Floor

Women's Undermuslins In Christmas Boxes

A group of the most extraordinary values from which to select a gift quite dainty and attractive enough to please the most discriminating taste. Assortment comprises gowns, combinations, envelope chemises and camisoles, at the following little prices:

75c and 85c Undermuslins at 50c
1.00 Undermuslins at 79c
1.50 Undermuslins at 1.00
2.00 Undermuslins at 1.50
3.00 Undermuslins at 2.00
Second Floor

Pretty White Aprons Are Among the Little-Price Gifts That Always Please

In every conceivable style for all purposes and occasions, at prices about one-third less than they should be, estimated by their quality.

39c Aprons at 29c
50c Aprons at 39c
75c and 85c Aprons at 50c
1.00 Aprons at 85c
1.50 Aprons at 1.00
Second Floor

89c Sewing Baskets at 50c ea.

Prettily Lined and Fitted With All the Necessary Sewing Utensils

Good size baskets in convenient shape, lined with satin in various colors. Practical and acceptable gifts for the woman who sews, or the miss who is learning to sew.

39c and 50c Fancy Round Garters, 25c pr.
Well made of good quality elastic, finished with buckle; each pair in a pretty gift box.

15c Novelty Pin Cushions, 10c
Very pretty little cushions covered with Dresden Silk; assorted shapes and colors.
Notion Dep't, First Floor.

N. SNELLENBURG & CO.

SNELLENBURG'S
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1915
ENTIRE BLOCK—MARKET 112th & 12th STREETS

Right Through and You'll Come to the Steering Sleds

That Skim Over the Snow in a Jiffy
Flexible Flyers at . . . \$2.25 to \$10.75
Flexible Flyer Racers \$3.25 to \$5.50
Firefly Coasters at . . . 98c to \$2.50
Jointed Dolls at 25c to \$15.00

Beautifully dressed; movable eyes, some with lashes.
Harbutt's Plasticine, 25c to \$1.50 Box
Modeling clay; amusing and instructive.

Mascot Baseball Game at \$2.00
Played according to regulation baseball rules.

Decorated Dinner and Tea Sets, 25c to \$5.00
Parlor Archery Game, 50c and \$1.00
Complete with arrows.
Horses at 10c to \$15

On wheels, platform and rockers.
Christmas Tree Ornaments at 10c Dozen to 35c Each
Iceicles, lamps, balls, fruit, etc.

Ten Pins at 10c to \$2.50
Some painted and enameled.
Doll Bedsteads at \$1.00 to \$7.98
With and without bedding.

Hand Cars at \$3.50
The champion racer; hardwood seat and frame; heavy rubber tires.
Tool Chests at 25c and \$1.25
Fitted with usable tools.

Steam Engines at 90c
Upright and horizontal.
Motors at \$1.00 to \$3.25
Bing's Constructor Outfits
Something unique in construction toys. Not only amuses the boy, but develops his latent talents, aiming him to think logically, to cultivate the sense of proportions and to develop skill in creating and inventing for himself.

Consists of standard bars of various lengths, three kinds of joints, wedge rings, spring washers and pair of pliers with other supplementary parts. With three parts and model, from the simplest utensils to a part of complicated machinery can be fitted. Graduated prices, \$2 to \$10.
Railroads and accessories at low prices.
Fourth Floor

The Always Acceptable Umbrellas

Compare our inviting prices and varied assortment with the less attractive values of others, then if you buy your Christmas umbrellas here, you'll be sure of the best.

Our Umbrellas at \$1.50 and \$2.00
Are the finest obtainable silk-and-cotton materials, so woven that the silk is brought to the surface. Beautiful handles in a variety of styles for men and women; 26 and 28-inch sizes.

Our Umbrellas at \$2.50 and \$3.00
Are covered with a closely woven yarn-dyed silk-and-linen material, closely resembling pure silk; also all silk. Large assortment of plain and fancy handles, carved sterling mounted or novelty effects. Ask to see our men's special umbrellas with buck and cape horn handles.

Our Umbrellas at \$3.75 and \$5.00
Have covers of fine yarn-dyed silk-and-linen fabric, or a very close-rolling all-silk material. Fine assortment of handles in elaborate and conservative styles, for men and women. Sizes 26 and 28 inches.

Our Children's Umbrellas at 50c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50
Are the choicest in the city and comprise every wanted style, size, shape of handle and perfection of construction. Suitable for boys and girls from 2 to 13 years old.
First Floor

Furniture Given at Christmas Serves as a Reminder for a Long Time—Our Low Prices Are Worth Remembering

\$150 Hall Clocks, \$75
Of richly figured genuine mahogany. It is 86 inches high, 24 inches wide, 15 inches deep and has 2 1/2-inch pillars. The glass is French beveled plate, 52 inches long and 12 inches wide.

Royal Push Button Chairs, \$11.50 to \$40
Fumed oak, golden oak and mahogany; complete with cushions; some have foot rest.

\$18.00 Solid Mahogany Rocker, \$8.75
Arm chair to match at same price.

\$9.50 Telephone Stand & Chair, \$4.95
Notice the compartment for your telephone directory.

Martha Washing Table, \$5.00
Mahogany; deep pocket sides and three drawers.

\$15 Solid Mahogany Tea Cart, \$7.50

THIS BRASS BED \$12.75

THIS BRASS BED \$18.75

This is positively one of the best values ever offered in any sale. A full-size solid mahogany Tea Cart with removable glass tray, rubber tire on wheels.

This \$60 Chaise Longe at \$35

Mahogany frames; covered in several choice designs of damask tapestry. Handsome finish; loose pillow; cane head.

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The Boy's Gift
Will Please the Lad If Chosen From Our Line of Superior But Inexpensive Furnishings

White Madras Blouses 50c and 75c
White Pleated Blouses 75c and \$1.00
Fancy Cheviot Blouses 50c
Percale and Madras Blouses, 50c to \$1.00
Silk Shirts \$2.65
Soft Shirts 50c to \$1.00
Outing Flannel Pajamas 75c to \$1.25
Plain Color Cotton Pajamas \$1.50
Fancy Cotton Pajamas 85c to \$1.00
Silk Neckwear 25c and 50c
Knitted Four-in-Hands 25c
Belts 25c and 50c
Suspenders 25c
Silk Windsors, Plain & Fancy, 25c & 50c
First Floor

Christmas Is a Fitting Time to Give One of the

Men's \$3.00 and \$3.50 Black Derbies

Which We Purchased to Sell at \$1.75

The wanted styles and all sizes. Unusual trade conditions brought about a sale enabling us to charge so little for hats worth so much more.

Our Fraternity Derbies and Soft Hats at \$3.00
Are conceded to be the best three dollar hats on the market.

Men's \$5 to \$10 Imported Velour Hats at \$3.50 and \$4.50
Wanted shapes, sizes and colors.

The Always-Correct Stetson Soft Hats and Derbies at \$3.50, \$4.00 and \$5.00
Men's Silk Hats, \$6.00

Brighten the Christmastide With Gifts of Sterling Silver Tableware

Sterling Silver Tid Bit Stands, \$2.75 to \$3.75 Each
Attractive patterns; pierced design; two and three compartments.

Sterling Silver Flat Ware, 95c Ea.
Sugar spoons, pickle forks, gravy ladles, olive spoons, sardine forks, bon bon scoops, butter picks, baby spoons, small cold meat forks.

Salt and Pepper Shakers, 25c and 50c Ea.
Cut glass shakers with sterling silver tops.

Individual Salt and Pepper Shakers, 50c & 75c Ea.
Sterling silver; bright finish.

Sterling Silver Castor Sets, \$2.50, \$3.25, \$4.00 to \$8.50
Pierced stands with Colonial glass bottles.
First Floor

Our Dress Trimming Store Announces the Arrival of Another Lot of

White Iceland Animal Scarfs at \$2.75

White Coney Scarfs with Head and Tail \$1.19

Chin-Chin Neckpieces of Brown and Black Coney at \$1.95
Ample width and a close fit around the neck. Just as becoming as they are comfortable, and the best value in town.

All kinds of fur bands for trimming, cut to order in the width you wish.
First Floor

Corsets and Brassieres With Their Prices Nearly or Quite Cut in Half

\$1.50 and \$2.00 Corsets at \$1.00
Snellenburg Special, Princess, Her Majesty and other makes, a few lace-front models in the lot; styles suitable to all figures.

\$1.25 Snellenburg Special Corsets at 75c
Variety of styles including stripe coutil; with elastic insert at back.

Fancy Trimmed Brassieres, 50c
A table full of the most attractive styles and inviting values, all appropriate for gifts, and suitably boxed. Other more elaborate styles, \$1 to \$5.
Second Floor

\$2.50 to \$4.00 Corsets at \$1.50 and \$2.00
Odd lots of branded makes; fashionable and fine fitting models in pink and white; lace back and lace front styles.

Chiffon Veils In Fancy Gift Boxes \$1.00 to \$2.50
Can be worn as veils or used as scarfs. They come in all the favorite colors, and range from 1 1/2 to 3 yards long.

Chenille Bordered Veils, 50c each
In black only; 1 1/2 yards long; boxed for Christmas.
First Floor.

Boudoir Caps
Hundreds of fascinating styles that eclipse all former assortments for quality, variety and value.

39c Caps at 25c
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